

Potomac Day 2011

Food, fun and a parade that epitomizes community.

The annual Potomac Day parade arrived Saturday, Oct. 22 and captured the hearts and spirits of participants and spectators. Potomac Citizen of the Year Nicki Bunting, Potomac Youth of the Year Julianne Pearson from Connelly School of the Holy Child, and Potomac

Business Person of the Year Steve Kirstein of BOWA were featured.

Parade participants included school groups, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, church groups, antique cars, elected officials, clowns — and lot of candy for the on-lookers.

Potomac Day was filled with food, live music, free children's rides including pony rides, a petting zoo, moon bounces, and an antique car show.

The Potomac Chamber of Commerce sponsors Potomac Day each year. This year's charity is Autism Speaks.

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Richard Kirstein, the son of Potomac Business Person of the Year Steve Kirstein of BOWA Builders. Richard, who has autism, and his dad led the Richie's Racers Team for BOWA in July's Autism Speaks 5K run. With 29 local runners, the team was the top fundraiser, raising more than \$41,000. Autism Speaks is the charity of the year